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Transmitted herewith is the patent application of ( ) application identifier or (X) first named inventor, <u>Arnold Stamler</u>, entitled <u>METHOD PROVIDING A SINGLE CONSOLE CONTROL POINT FOR A NETWORK DEVICE CLUSTER</u> for a(n):

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| X)    | Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):  (X) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  of prior application No: 10/635,894 Filed on: August 5, 2003.  (X) A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Independent Claims      | 5         | 2         | \$84.00          | \$ 168.00  |
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